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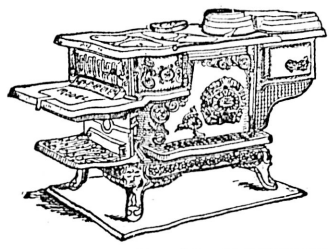

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New Advertisements continued on page eight.

NEWS FROM LONDON.

Outline of the Queen's Speech—The Expected Surplus—Chartered South African Company.

President Kruger Ready to Visit London—Chairmanship of the Irish National League.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—The Press Association this evening sent out a forecast of the Queen's speech which is to be read to-morrow at the opening of parliament. It says that the speech is longer than usual; but that it does not announce any sensational departures in policy. It opens with expressing satisfaction that Great Britain is at peace with all the great powers, and in referring to the Transvaal incident, recites the course of events rather than furnishes an indication of the outcome. There is a guarded allusion to the Venezuelan question, there being no specific announcement made respecting arbitration. Reference is, however, made to the prospect of a friendly understanding with the U. S. with regard to the Venezuelan dispute. A suitable reference is also made to the deplorable events in Armenia. The hope is expressed that the reforms will be carried out. Among the bills proposed will be an employers' liability measure; one providing for voluntary schools; another touching upon the Irish land law reform; one for the relief of the agricultural distress, and one for the establishment of a board of agriculture in Ireland. There is also a reference to the increase in the naval defences, the outlay for this being understood to amount to £9,500,000.

The British Chartered South Africa Company issued a statement this evening to the effect that the annual meeting of the organization was postponed owing to the inexpediency of holding it while the trial of Dr. Jameson is pending. The statement adds that the company is satisfied that although the chartered police will hereafter be controlled by the government, the position of the company is otherwise not affected.

The Daily News says the Liberals propose to ask explanations as to the £9,500,000 which it is proposed to expend on five first-class battleships, four first-class cruisers, three second-class cruisers, six third-class and twenty torpedo boat destroyers.

The Birmingham Post, which is the organ of Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, declares that the whole relationship of the crown to the Chartered South African Company may be revised, and that steps have been taken that no future administration of the company shall be in a position to repeat the Jameson raid.

President Kruger has notified Sir Hercules Robinson, Governor of Cape Colony, that he is willing to visit England, according to the suggestion of Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, provided the subjects of the proposed conference between himself and Mr. Chamberlain are definitely settled beforehand. The trial of the members of the reform committee of Johannesburg was resumed to-day, having been adjourned over from Friday last. The examination of witnesses with reference to the funds of the National Union showed that a bank account had been opened in the name of a development syndicate by Colonel Rhodes, Messrs. John Hayes-Hammond, Phillips and Fitzpatrick.

The Chronicle repeats at great length this morning for the benefit of parliament, the replies received from leading prelates, writers and politicians, in favor of its suggestion for a national petition to parliament for the establishment of a permanent tribunal of arbitration.

The flying squadron has sailed from Spithaven for Berehaven, on the south coast of Ireland, whither the squadron had been originally ordered, but was delayed by the death of Prince Henry of Battenberg.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Daily News telegraphs to that paper: "Turkey's plan to implicate the American missionaries in Armenian affairs is being steadily pursued. An attempt has been made to arrest Mr. Knapp, one of the hardest working missionaries, on a charge of sedition and murder, based on an accusation signed under coercion by some Armenians who were in jail."

The Times says that it is confidently expected the budget surplus will exceed £6,000,000.

The Times says it is not probable that Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader in parliament, will move an amendment to the address.

The Chronicle says that Sir Frederick Pollock, corpus professor of jurisprudence in the University of Oxford, who was entrusted by the government with the preparation of the British case in the Venezuelan boundary dispute, has completed the Venezuelan blue book and it will probably be presented to parliament within ten days. "It is understood," says the Chronicle, "that the government will make an important statement to-night."

In regard to the Venezuelan affair, a strong desire exists among the Liberals to meet the wishes of America. There are hints, however, says the Daily News, that although the Radicals favor unlimited arbitration, the Liberal leaders are bound by their own record and are unlikely to press this view.

Thomas Sexton has declined the chairmanship of the Irish National Federation, which was tendered him by the council of the Federation at their quarterly meeting in Dublin on Sunday. Mr. Sexton has written to Sir Thomas Esmond, member for West Kerry and chief whip of the anti-Parnellite party, conveying his deep regret that he is unable to accept the proffered honor, and expressing the conviction that no public advantage could be gained by his acceptance, which under the present circumstances would subject him to a strain entirely beyond his strength. It is thought the chairmanship will now be offered John Dillon, though Edward Blake is also prominently spoken of in this connection.

CHARLES WARWICK.

He Is Remanded for Examination at Westminster—Will Plead Guilty.

Charles Warwick has been sent up to Westminster to await the result of the audit of his books and accounts as government agent. Though he is anxious to get the strain over as quickly as possible the case has to be made out properly for the crown, and until an audit of the books is made, the exact sum which has not been accounted for cannot be known.

The accused man was brought before Mr. Pearson, J.P., yesterday in the provincial police court and the charge as set out in the warrant was read. Then Supt. Hussey made application for a remand for seven days. Although the accused was willing to plead guilty, such a plea could not be received by the crown till its case was properly prepared which could not be done till after the audit of the books of the office.

Asked if he had any objection to raise against his being remanded to Westminster for the preliminary hearing, Mr. Warwick replied that he had not; all he wanted was to get it all over as quickly as possible. He was therefore remanded and goes to Westminster this morning.

OUR OTTAWA SPECIAL.

Return of Sir Charles Tupper—Ministerial Caucus on Remedial Legislation.

Ontario County Councils Disapprove of Bonuses to Pauper Immigrant Children.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—Sir Charles Tupper arrived here at noon to-day and had a grand welcome from the citizens of Ottawa. He was presented with an address of welcome by the Mayor and the Conservative clubs. Sir Charles made an eloquent reply.

Hon. Dr. Montague returned from New York to-day. His health is not greatly improved. His physicians order rest.

The proceedings in the House of Commons to-day were uninteresting. A number of motions for returns were passed.

The fight between the Kootenay railroads was continued before the railway committee this morning, questions of fact being the principal ones involved. The committee decided to send a government engineer to report on the matter.

A ministerial caucus will be held tomorrow when a draft of the remedial bill will be submitted to the members.

The Ontario county councils urge the government to abolish bonuses on pauper immigrant children.

CAPE BRETON ELECTION.

Sir Charles Tupper's Official Majority Seven Hundred and Eighty.

SYDNEY, C. B., Feb. 10.—(Special)—This was declaration day. The figures are: Sir Charles Tupper, 3,797; Hon. G. H. Murray, 3,017; majority for Tupper, 780.

A MOST interesting lecture was given by Mr. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist, at the board of trade rooms last night. He gave some valuable advice on prospecting, touched on ore deposits and spoke about assaying.

MRS. J. S. BROWN, a pioneer resident of this city, passed away yesterday, after a lingering illness resulting from paralysis. The deceased leaves no relatives in this country, but a brother in Australia and a sister somewhere in the United Kingdom. She is said to have amassed considerable wealth by fortunate acquisition of real property.

"SERVICE out of Jurisdiction" was the subject of a comprehensive and very helpful address which Mr. H. D. Helmcken, Q.C., M.P.P., delivered yesterday evening, before the local association of law students. His remarks were confined principally to the difficulties which are likely to arise in this form of procedure. Mr. Helmcken will deliver a second lecture in two weeks, dealing with another branch of the matter.

LITTLE Walter Lawry, who disappeared from his home, at 12 Humboldt street, on Saturday last, is still missing, and the parents are almost frantic with anxiety. Several clews were folllowed up on Sunday and yesterday, but none disclosing the whereabouts of the boy. The little fellow, though only four years old, was prone to wander away from home, and there are probably no business men in the quarter of the town in which he lived who do not know him. The majority are of the belief that the boy has fallen into the harbor.

Mrs. Dr. L. Runyon, chiropodist, manicuring, and removing superfluous hair, facial blemishes; all kinds cosmetics for sale, face bleaching and face steaming, at Five Sisters block, rooms 33 and 35; office hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. x

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TUPPER IN MONTREAL.

The War-Horse of Cumberland the Object of a Hearty Demonstration.

He Approached Neither Priest Nor Prelate for Election Purposes—Remedial Legislation.

MONTREAL, Feb. 10.—(Special)—On Saturday evening Sir Charles Tupper addressed a great mass meeting in Windsor hall, which was presided over by Hon. G. A. Drummond. The hall was packed, and two hundred of Montreal's merchants and professional men occupied seats on the platform.

Hon. Mr. Drummond outlined the four planks in Sir Charles' platform, or rather the work yet to be carried out by the Conservative party, as the Pacific cable, the fast steamship line, imperial trade and rendering justice to the Manitoba minority. This, Mr. Drummond said, he would never cease to advocate.

The Junior Conservative, Sir John Macdonald, the Conservative and the Cartier clubs presented a joint address to Sir Charles Tupper, who, though a little hoarse at the beginning, made an admirable speech. After referring to the formation of Confederation Sir Charles proceeded to discuss the Manitoba school question. He had taken his stand on the principle of equal justice to all, without respect to race or creed. (Great applause.) He had stated his views freely in the recent contest from beginning to end; he had approached neither priest nor prelate of any denomination, and had not the slightest communication direct or indirect with his friend Bishop Cameron. (Applause.) The clergy of all denominations he had found united in favor of having justice done the minority. Sir Charles said he had the greatest objection to the coercion of any province or tampering with the autonomy of any province. The act of confederation clearly defined the duties and powers of the local legislatures, and having been one of the fathers of confederation he would be the last man in the world to lay his hand on the work of the constitution or to tamper with it in any way whatever. But, he went on, while the question of education was placed in the hands of the local legislatures, there was a marked exception, and it was just such a case as had arisen now. Sir Alexander Galt had written with his own hand that clause of the constitution which dealt with this subject and that demanded on behalf of the Protestant minority of Quebec a guarantee that would prevent the rights of any minority, whether Protestant or Catholic, being invaded by a majority of a different kind. (Applause.) The constitution provided that in case the local legislature imposed upon or took away the rights of the minority its power ceased and it became a matter for the federal parliament. Sir Charles Tupper then proceeded to pay a warm tribute to Premier Bowell; than Sir Mackenzie, he declared, the Conservative party never had a more loyal supporter.

LANDS FOR EDUCATION.

An Interesting Recommendation Sent to the Legislature Yesterday.

"That the principle of setting apart public lands by the provincial government for educational purposes be approved by this meeting" was a resolution adopted at a meeting of the school trustees of this city and district last month. The matter had not before been generally discussed, and nothing more was heard of it until yesterday when the Lieutenant-Governor sent to the legislature a bill with that object in view. The title of this bill, as the message says, is "An act to provide a fund for educational purposes by sale of public lands." The message will not be considered until to-day, and in the meantime the bill cannot formally be placed before the house.

The proposition, it is understood, is to relieve the revenue of the expenditure for educational purposes. Ten years ago this was but $71,000; in five years it had grown to $122,000, and last year's total was $189,000—a considerable burden upon the finances of the province. According to the plan to be submitted to the house land warrants are to be sold at auction from time to time, to an extent not greater than 500,000 acres in any one year, and the proceeds will form a fund to be drawn upon to meet the expenses of education annually voted by the legislature. These warrants will be for blocks of 160 acres, to be located within a limited time after the purchase. There are to be probably three classes of warrants, representing the several varieties of lands, for which the minimum prices suggested are $1 an acre for pastoral lands, $2.50 for agricultural lands, and $5 for timber lands.

Sale of Matsqui Lands by Auction.

Attention is called to the auction sale of 5524 77-100 acres of the richest of farming lands, to be conducted by Joshua Davies, at his auction room, Bastion square, at 12 o'clock this day (Tuesday, February 11). This is one of the largest auction sales of farming lands ever held here, and offers to capitalists a good opportunity to secure a safe and profitable investment. x

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Proposed Sunday Concerts in Vancouver—Provincial Land Surveyors—Fire at Westminster.

Business Change at Wellington—Serious Accident to a Chinaman—Coal Mining.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 10.—The Association of the Provincial Land Surveyors of British Columbia have held a meeting in Vancouver and elected the following officers: President, J. F. Garden; vice-president, R. E. Palmer; secretary-treasurer, J. H. McGregor, Victoria. A banquet was held at the conclusion of the meeting.

There is much excitement in church circles over the attempt of certain prominent citizens to throw everything wide open here on Sunday, and start a concert hall. The claim is that thousands of dollars are lost every year by miners and fishermen, who go out to have a time. Certain members of the council are also, it is said, desirous of saving this money for the citizens. The churches all strongly object to this movement. At Princess street Methodist church Rev. Mr. Baer put a resolution to the congregation disapproving of the movement. Seventy-five per cent. of the congregation stood up in favor of the resolution. The other churches and the Y.M.C.A. are taking decided action.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 10.—The insurance in Henings' block, destroyed by fire yesterday morning, was $7,500. This represents the total loss.

The burglars who stole a quantity of furs at Mission escaped to the States, but are being held there.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Feb. 10.—Messrs. Leiser & Hamburger, of Wellington, bought the entire stock of Mr. E. Merman, jeweler. Mr. Merman will be manager of this department. Mr. J. Danader and Mr. Johnson left last week for Montreal to purchase for Messrs. Leiser & Hamburger their spring stock of clothing.

Lang Yung, a Chinaman, was crossing the millstream trestle at the Caledonia grounds, when being frightened by an approaching train he jumped to the ground below, a distance of forty-two feet. He was discovered two hours afterwards badly injured, some of his ribs being broken. He was sent down to the hospital at Victoria.

It is reported that the coal from the E. & N. extension mine will be shipped to Departure Day, provided arrangements can be made with the New Vancouver Coal Company for the use of their Northfield wharves and loading facilities. Mr. Young has been succeeded by Mr. W. Chandler as manager of the East Wellington colliery. James E. Jordan has been appointed by Mr. Dennis Jordan manager of the Jordan mine—the deal with the Victoria company being entirely off.

HIGH SCHOOL FEES.

TO THE EDITOR:—As a taxpayer and a parent, I protest against the action of the board of trustees with respect to the High school, in reducing the number of teachers and lowering their salaries.

By lessening the staff from four to three teachers, which means enlarging each class to about fifty pupils—the labor of the teacher is increased and the amount of instruction proportionately decreased.

Nor can it be expected that an overworked and underpaid teacher, with no stimulus or encouragement to do better, will perform his work otherwise than in a perfunctory manner. The proposed rate of salaries will not be an inducement in the future for the best class of teachers to offer their services.

In addition to this proceeding, which is so well calculated to destroy the value of this school as a Collegiate Institute, for which it professes to be intended, a fee of ten dollars a year is to be charged. Such being the case it was their duty to increase the efficiency of the school, not to impair or destroy it as they are now doing. For instance, with the amount expected to be raised from fees, about $1,500 yearly, an additional teacher could have been provided, as in the case of the Vancouver High school, there being five teachers with an average of twenty pupils to each class.

When there was no charge for admission to the High school [except the revenue tax which still remains] one would be chary of making complaints, but now one looks for an improvement in the system of education rather than a falling off in it, as will undoubtedly be the case if the changes proposed by the board of trustees are carried into effect. In fact, for all there is contained in the curriculum of the High school, no fee should be exacted. The amount of revenue obtained from fees—the saving in which the trustees plume themselves—will be in the aggregate contemptible, not affecting or lessening the general taxes one iota.

Although the proposed fee may not appear excessive, yet to many it represents a heavy sum, consequently a large percentage of pupils will be withdrawn, and an equally large number not be able to enter at all. Some persons look upon this last phase of the matter with favor, complaisantly remarking, that it will have the effect of weeding out the school—meaning that the children in poor circumstances should not have the benefit of a higher education; rather let them remain "in that state of life into which it has pleased God to call them." If this is the aim of the trustees, it looks as if it were near its fulfilment. They forget that the education of our children, the future citizens of this country should be paramount to every other consideration; that they are entitled by right to a good sound education, that will fit them for the practical duties of life, placing them on a par, at least, with those of other countries who have free schools.

Many subjects, necessary to fit them for success in mechanical, mercantile or seafaring pursuits, are not taught in the low school, and now numbers of clever, ambitious youths will be debarred from these advantages on account of the limited means and inability of their parents to pay fees and buy the necessary expensive books as well.

By the way, what becomes of the money that the trustees take away from the school? It does not go back to the ratepayer; his direct burden is not lessened. Does it revert to the city treasury, to be expended by the board of aldermen in some other way? a diversion of school funds to another purpose.

A MOTHER AND TAXPAYER.

February 8, 1896.

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SCHOOL REGULATIONS.

The Council of Public Instruction's Decision on the Suggestions of the Trustees.

Some of Them Granted, But Others Not Considered Advisable Just at Present.

The Council of Public Instruction have considered and decided upon their reply to the deputation of school trustees of Victoria, Westminster and Vancouver, who last Wednesday waited upon the Minister of Education and laid before him suggestions formulated at the conference of the trustees held last week.

The suggestion that the school regulations be changed so as to allow the reading of promotion lists in the schools to be deferred till after the vacation, is granted by the council.

In regard to the suggestion "that the exhibitions held heretofore at the close of the term be abolished in all city schools," the council point out that every public school teacher last December was notified by circular that at the public examinations held at the close of each session the pupils must be examined orally in at least four or more of the subjects taught in the class. The teacher is allowed, however, to vary the exercises with exhibitions of singing, calisthenics drill, recitations or some such exercises, provided that these do not interfere with the viva voce examinations. Consequently, it is optional to do away with any of the exhibitions outside of the actual viva voce examinations. The public examinations as set forth by the statute must be held during the last week of each session on days fixed by the trustees. As to the time for holding the written examinations for entrance to the High school, the council decided that this must be determined by the department.

As to the suggestion that the city school boards be allowed to regulate teaching hours in the tablet and first primer divisions, the council decided that these classes may be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. and at 2:30 p.m. for the year, instead of the provision hitherto in force which makes the time for dismissing such classes at 3 p.m. from October to April.

In answer to the request to allow option in extending the summer vacations, the council have decided that the trustees may extend the summer vacation to and inclusive of the first Sunday in September, provided the school has been kept open the number of school days in July equal to the number of days extension of the vacation in September.

The council did not see its way to grant the request that German and Spanish be included in the subjects taught in the High school. They consider that the number of subjects already taught is sufficient for the present. The council also declare that it is inadvisable in the meantime to make any change in the rules governing the length of teachers' engagements.

The Minister of Education has expressed himself as pleased to receive suggestions from the trustee boards relating to changes in the present school system calculated to make it more effective.

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MR. McWILLIAM'S LETTER CANNOT BE MISUNDERSTOOD.

HE SAYS: "I HAVE NO RHEUMATISM LEFT!"

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Statement of the Business of the Company for the Past Year—Dividends Paid.

MONTREAL, Feb. 10.—(Special)—At a meeting of the board of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. held to-day the following statement of the business of the past year was submitted:

Gross earnings		$18,941,036
Working expenses		11,460,086
Net Earnings		$ 7,480,950
Interest on deposits and loans		112,246
Interest due from South Shore and Atlantic consolidated bonds	$589,383	
Less advanced by company	148,716	
		440,667
Total		$ 8,033,863
Deduct fixed charges, etc		6,659,478
Surplus		$ 1,374,385

From this there has been charged off the half-yearly dividend on preference stock, two per cent., paid October, 1875, $128,480, leaving a surplus from the year's operations of $1,245,905. After paying the October dividend on the preference stock from this surplus the board declared a dividend of two per cent. on the preference stock for the half year ended December 31, and of one and a half per cent. on the common stock for the year 1895, both payable April 1.

Any tendency to premature baldness may be promptly checked by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. Don't delay till the scalp is bare and the hair-roots destroyed. If you would realize the best results, begin at once with this invaluable preparation.

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4 Prizes of	5.00
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Dated 20th December, 1895.

WEST COAST PACKING COMPANY.
ja10-1m [Signed.] R. V. WINCH, Manage

MATERNITY (late Samaritan Home), has moved into larger premises, at 199 Johnson street. Applicants please apply at the Home, or to Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay Road, or to Mrs. Flumerfelt, Gorge Road.

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found, For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty-five cents.

WANTS.

WANTED—General servant for small family 98 Quebec street. fe8-5t

WANTED—A good cow in milk; also a 95 bicycle, good make and condition; state price; also a stylish carriage for lady. Cuthbert & Co. fe9

WANTED—Gardening, fruit trees to plant, prune, clean, fencing, rock blasting, drives, walks, done cheap. Apply B.J., Colonist office. fe7-5t

WANTED—No. 81 Johnson street pays the highest cash price for ladies and gentlemen's second hand clothing, boots and shoes. Send postal card fe4-1m

WANTED—500 lots of new and cast-off clothing and shoes, at 83 Johnson street, S. Cooness. ja31-1m

SITUATION WANTED—By young Ontario Solicitor, in law or mercantile office, in British Columbia; grad. 1881 Br. Am. Business Col., Toronto; six years bookkeeper in loan Co. office, and in law office; studied law 3 years in town and 2 years in Toronto; have practised law since 1890. Address O.S., this office.

WANTED—At Beaver Lake Waterworks, 25 men at 25 cents an hour; board $5 per week. Walkeley, King & Casey, de22

WANTED—500 lots of new and cast-off clothing and shoes, at 83 Johnson street, S. Cooness. de16

TO LET OR LEASE.

VICTORIA ARM—Cottage, four rooms and 1¼ acres of land; water front; rent $8 per month. A. H. Harman & Co., 30 Broad street. fe9-3t

TO RENT—A farm, 3 miles from town; excellent milk ranch; rent moderate. Apply E.P.S., this office, or 57 Quadra st fe7-1m

COMFORTABLY furnished front rooms, with use of kitchen if required. 139 Michigan street. fe4-2w

TO LET—Two cottages 4 rooms each, $4 each. Apply 4 Clark street, Spring Ridge. Good place to raise chickens. fe2-1m

FOR RENT—Large front room, suitable for two; every convenience; breakfast if desired. Apply 5 Queen's avenue, near Government street. de24-tf

TO LET — Comfortable housekeeping rooms, with hot and cold water bath. Apply 104 Pandora; also a furnished 15-roomed house. Apply 97 Quadra. de22-1m

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FOR SALE—Elegant cottage and stable, a perfect snap, $1,600; 1 mile from Post Office; house on View street worth $7,500 3 years ago, $2,100; two story house Quadra street $3,000; chicken ranches. Cuthbert & Co. fe9

FOR SALE—$1,600 appropriation in Building Society. Address W., Box 335, City. fe6 6t

FOR SALE—One engine and boiler, price $250. Apply Findlay, Durham & Brodie, Wharf street. fe2-6t

TO FARMERS and those seeking homes out of which they can make a living. We have some of the best snaps in farms in B.C. for sale. What do you think of this:

Near Mission City, 120 acres; frame house worth $400, barn 60x60, worth $50; 25 acres fenced and cultivated; balance easily cleared; clay loam. $1,600 the whole thing.

New Westminster District, near a railway station, 160 acres; log house, barn 18x40 feet; 3½ acres in orchard, 11 acres cleared and have under cultivation. $1,200.

Near Mission City, 140 acres on C.P.R. line; frame cottage worth $750; sheds and stables; 4 acres in orchard, 50 acres under cultivation. $1,800.

These prices are not one-third of what these properties are worth. Sold under mortgage. H. Cuthbert & Co., Auctioneers and Brokers.

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To be Sold as a Going Concern,

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VICTORIA COLLEGE OF MUSIC,

Principal—Mr. Leo Bradley, F.V.C.M., assisted by other teachers. Pupils received for lessons in piano, singing, violin and 'cello and theory, privately or in class. Candidates prepared for the examinations for certificates in connection with Victoria College of Music, London. Address 6 Douglas street. ja5-1m

TO THE PUBLIC—D. R. Pottinger has been appointed Manager of the Ideal Provision Store, 96 Yates street, and trusts that the liberal patronage bestowed in the past will be continued under the present management. fe8-5t

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OWNER wanted for valuable gold bracelet, with large stone setting. The bracelet may be had on proving ownership and paying expenses, to H. W. Sheppard, Chief of Police.

Canadian Pacific Navigation Co. Ltd

7 PER CENT. DEBENTURES.

THIRD ANNUAL DRAWING

The following are the numbers of the debentures drawn for repayment at par on and after the 15th day of February next.

Interest thereon ceases on the 15th day of February, 1896.

Fifty Debentures, numbers

18	21	36	50	53	55
75	82	86	116	121	122
128	131	140	145	159	164
199	211	226	260	268	286
292	305	309	317	332	357
360	375	383	391	393	400
419	420	444	446	450	460
461	471	475	476	478	482
486	500				

Fifty Debentures of $500.00 each.....$25,000.00

The above mentioned debentures will be paid on and after the 15th day of February next, on presentation of the Debentures, at the Bank of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.

For the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company Limited.

R. P. RITHET, Chairman.
F. W. VINCENT, Secretary.

Countersigned.
W. H. LANGLEY,
Victoria, B.C.,
Notary Public.
Victoria, B.C., January 25th, 1896. ja26

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next Session, for an Act to incorporate "The Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada," for the purpose of doing a general life insurance business.

F. H. CHRYSLER,
For Applicants.
Ottawa, December 11th, 1895. de19-9t-onw

NOTICE is hereby given that default having been made in payment of an assessment levied by the Phillips Arm Quartz Mining Company upon the interest of Mr. J. P. Lawson therein, the interest of the said J. P. Lawson or so much thereof as will satisfy the said assessment as well as the costs and charges occasioned by such default, will be sold by public auction by Mr. W. H. Hooper, at his rooms, Hastings street, Vancouver, B.C., on Friday, the 16th day of March, 1896, at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

[Signed.] H. RHODES,
Manager of the Phillips Arm Quartz
ja5-td Mining Company.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend applying to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease as a site for a fishing station the following described lands situated on the west side of Union Island, Kyuquot Sound, viz:—Commencing at a post marked "West Coast Packing Co.," thence in a northerly direction along the shore 30 chains; thence east 5 chains; thence south 30 chains; thence west 5 chains to place of commencement.

Dated December 31st, 1895.

WEST COAST PACKING COMPANY.
ja10-1m [Signed.] R. V. WINCH, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend applying to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease as a fishing station the following described lands situated on the head of Zucallos Arm, Esperanza Inlet, viz:—Commencing at a post marked "West Coast Packing Co.," west corner; thence east 50 chains to a stake on the east shore of Zucallos Arm; thence north 20 chains; thence west 50 chains; thence south 30 chains to place of commencement.

Dated December 5th, 1895.

WEST COAST PACKING COMPANY.
ja10-1m [Signed.] R. V. WINCH, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend applying to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease as a fishing station the following described lands situated on the head of Port Elize Arm, Esperanza Inlet, viz:—Commencing at a post marked "West Coast Packing Co.," on the west side of Port Elize Arm; thence east 40 chains to a post on the east side of the Arm; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains to place of commencement.

Dated December 22nd, 1895.

WEST COAST PACKING COMPANY.
ja10-1m [Signed.] R. V. WINCH, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend applying to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease as a fishing station the following described lands on Kyuquot Sound, on mainland, west of Union Island, viz:—Commencing at a stake marked "West Coast Packing Co.," thence along the shore in a northerly direction 30 chains; thence west 5 chains; thence south 30 chains; thence east 5 chains to place of commencement.

Dated December 21st, 1895.

WEST COAST PACKING COMPANY.
ja10-1m [Signed.] R. V. WINCH, Manager.

PARLIAMENTARY NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters will apply to Parliament at its present session to have Section four of its act of incorporation amended by changing the word "one" in the third line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five" so as to give the Society power to hold real estate to the value of five hundred thousand dollars. fe1-9t-1tw

HOME FOR LADIES during confinement or any sickness of non-Infectious nature, 55 Kane street, near Blanchard. The nurses are thoroughly experienced, and the lady principal holds numerous diplomas and testimonials, including a first-class certificate from Queen Charlotte Hospital, London, England. oc5 3m

LECTURES —ON— MINING.

The following Lectures will be given under the auspices of the Government at the following times and places:

Mining, Geology and Ore Deposits

By MR. CARLYLE,

Provincial Mineralogist,

VICTORIA—January 20th and 27th, February 3rd and 10th, at 8 p.m., in Board of Trade Room.

VANCOUVER—January 22nd, 24th, 29th and 31st, at 8 p.m., in Lesser-Dunn Hall.

NEW WESTMINSTER—January 21st, 23rd, 28th and 30th, at 8 p.m., in Board of Trade Room.

ON CHEMISTRY,

By MR. CARMICHAEL,

Provincial Analyst and Assayer.

VICTORIA—January 23rd and 30th, February 6th and 13th, at 8 p.m., in Board of Trade Room.

ON METALLURGY,

By MR. PELLEW-HARVEY,

VANCOUVER—February 5th and 12th, at 8 p.m., in Lesser-Dunn Hall.

NEW WESTMINSTER—February 4th and 11th, at 8 p.m., in Board of Trade Rooms.

The Lectures will be open to the public on payment at the door of twenty-five cents each person for each lecture.

JAMES BAKER,
ja10-td Minister of Mines

NOTICE.

Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILLS.

The time limited by the Rules of the Hous for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 6th day of February, 1896.

Bills must be presented on or before the 13th day of February, 1896.

Reports from the Standing Committee on Private Bills will not be received after the 20th day of February, 1896.

If any of the Rules above referred to are suspended, the Promoters of all Private Bills taking the benefit of such suspension of said Rules will be required to pay double fees.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1895.

THORNTON FELL,
de10-td Clerk Legislative Assembly

Victoria City, Victoria, Esquimalt and Coast Districts.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all Taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1896. All of the above-named taxes collectible within the Electoral Districts of Victoria City, Victoria, Esquimalt and Coast Districts, are payable at my office.

Assessed Taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:

If paid on or before June 30th, 1896—

One-half of one per cent. on real property.
Two per cent. on wild land.
One-third of one per cent. on personal property.
One-half of one-per cent. on income.

If paid after June 30th, 1896—

Two-thirds of one per cent. on real property.
Two and one-half per cent. on wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on personal property.
Three-fourths of one per cent. on income.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.
January 2nd, 1896. ja30

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THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Discuss a Variety of Subjects of Considerable Public Importance—Liquor Traffic Condemned.

Public School Trustees Asked to Reconsider Their Estimates—Moral Reform Agitation.

The Local Council of Women, at their open general meeting yesterday afternoon under the presidency of Mrs. Charles Hayward, gave earnest consideration to a great variety of business, some items of which were of more than passing interest to the general public. The range of the subjects was, too, a wide one, embracing the total prohibition question, economy in local educational affairs and moral reform in Victoria. Each of these topics was vigorously debated, and on the majority the feeling of the many ladies attending the meeting was placed on record in unanimously adopted resolutions.

The liquor question was first dealt with, the following resolution deferred for consideration from the annual meeting of the council being introduced by Mrs. Siddall and Miss Murray, as representatives of the Local Union of Christian Endeavor:

"That the Women's Council be asked to take some active steps in the direction of having a more stringent liquor law put in force in this province, especially regarding the separation of the liquor business in connection with the grocery business; and, also, that they use their influence in favor of the total abolition of the liquor traffic."

The mover explained that she spoke for a number of affiliated societies in introducing this resolution—societies containing in Victoria upwards of 400 young men and women banded together for the suppression not alone of liquor selling or drinking, but of tobacco using, card playing and "anything of that form." She warmly urged the adoption of the resolution, differing in opinion from the ruling of the chair that inasmuch as the other resolutions presented at the annual meeting had been out of order—due notice not having been given—this could not be voted upon.

After Mrs. Siddall, Mrs. Gordon Grant spoke at length in favor of the resolution and in opposition to the use of liquor, which she held to be the cause of by far the greater part of the crime and misery of the world. She held that prohibition should be obtained as soon as possible, if only as a simple matter of financial economy; the total abolition of liquor selling would close all jails and penitentiaries, for there would be no criminals to occupy them, and would render vacant half the lunatic asylums. There would be no more tramps and vagrants, for the now objectionable and worse than useless classes of the community would be transformed into thrifty and industrious citizens. These results had been achieved in Maine and would have been in Kansas had the authorities bent themselves to the carrying out of the law. Recent disclosures in regard to Victoria's music halls showed, she said, that the associated evils could not exist without the liquor selling; nor would the places of sin that destroyed all that was good and loveable in those who frequented them, continue to exist if the power was no longer obtainable to derive eight cents profit on a ten cent drink.

Mrs. Chapman endorsed Mrs. Grant's remarks, and referred to the drink bill of the country—money lost to productive enterprise. The amount spent in drink would, she said, soon dispose of the labor problem.

Mrs. Jenkins held that no good was to be accomplished by debating the subject, when a vote upon it had been ruled out of order.

Mrs. William Grant placed herself on record as being heartily in favor of the resolution and opposed to the legalization of the liquor traffic, whether or not the resolution could be voted upon.

Mrs. Andrews took a similar stand after quoting interesting local statistics as to the influence of liquor in the production of criminals.

Though the resolution did not come to a vote it found general favor—many friends and no opponents.

Mrs. M. Jenkins, in an interesting paper on women's work in connection with the Y.M.C.A., referred feelingly to the importance of the social features of this association and pointed out the responsibility that rested upon the women of making the association a home in the best and truest sense of the word for the many young men living here, and away from their own fathers, mothers and sisters. Her paper was eminently practical and carefully prepared, showing deep research into the wants and dispositions of young men cast upon their own resources for amusement in a city of strangers.

Next came the subject of expenses incidental to the recent election of school trustees, with which the meeting grappled for upwards of an hour. The council, it will be remembered, brought out two candidates; yesterday it was reported that their expenses had been $44.50. Mrs. William Grant, who secured election, had personally paid the bill, but other members of the council thought that a wrong precedent was thereby created, and that the principle established of seeing the candidates through should be lived up to. As a result half a dozen resolutions were presented, one of which aimed to meet the difficulty by having Mrs. Grant donate the amount of the expenses to the council, so that the expenses might be paid in the name of the organization and the principle be thus preserved intact. To this Mrs. Grant objected; she had paid the expenses, she said, and preferred that the matter end there. To go through such a proceeding as was suggested was, in her opinion, worse than child's play. Ultimately a collection of $9 was raised among the ladies present and the presidents of the affiliated societies were requested to obtain donations of cash toward the election fund.

The subject of the placing of a tuition fee in connection with the High school was introduced through a letter written to Mrs. Baker, the lady president, by Mrs. Eugenia O'Brien, and the debate at once became interesting.

Mrs. Chapman held that the imposition of this charge would press very hard upon a most deserving portion of the community and would also largely increase the number of unemployed boys and girls. She advised a petition in favor of the repeal of the fee.

Mrs. Siddall thought that the recent demonstration of economy on the part of the school board was "the most disgraceful thing she had ever heard of." She was ashamed of the trustees, but hoped that they would see their mistake and reconsider their recent action.

Education, she urged, made children not only more intelligent and therefore better citizens, but it decreased crime.

Mrs. Jenkins was strongly in favor of free education, and moved for the appointment of a special committee to draft a protest against the imposition of a High school tuition fee.

Mrs. McGregor, as an old teacher herself, thought that a greater mistake had been made in the reduction of teachers' salaries than in the adoption of a High school fee. She was of the opinion that the High school privileges were not infrequently abused, scholars being pushed up too quickly from the public schools. Personally she believed in the state giving the child a good common school education; if more was wanted let it be paid for.

Only one other lady supported this view, holding too that the teachers should not complain when, with a general reduction of receipts in all business enterprises and a corresponding decline in the cost of living, they found their salaries also reduced.

Mrs. Kent thought that the teachers would not have grumbled had the reduction been made in just proportion and to the extent only of meeting the $2,000 or so originally decided as necessary. What excited indignation was that some teachers should be cut down as much as $25 a month while a vote of $500 for telephones was allowed to pass unchallenged.

Ultimately the feeling of the meeting was condensed in the appended resolution, which Mrs. Gordon Grant introduced and Mrs. Scaife seconded:

"Whereas, one department of the work of the Women's Council is the special interests of women and children; and whereas in Victoria there are 34 teachers in our public schools who are women; and whereas these teachers have had their salaries lowered to such an extent that many of them will not be able to support themselves and those dependent upon them out of the remuneration which they will now receive; and whereas the present cut in salaries will tend to lower the standard of efficiency in our schools by some of our best teachers resigning their positions, and all being less inspired to do their best; and whereas many of the members of this council are ratepayers of the city: Therefore, be it resolved, that this meeting send to the board of school trustees a protest against their recent action, and earnestly pray their honorable body to reconsider the estimates and give to the teachers the remuneration which their services merit; and to continue to give the education afforded by the High school free to the children of Victoria as it has been in the past."

Mrs. Gordon Grant also brought the question of moral reform before the meeting, holding that it was the duty of the women of Victoria to strengthen the hands of Rev. Ralph W. Trotter in the work upon which he had entered. She had a precedent for such action in the course pursued by the women of New York in supporting Rev. Dr. Parkhurst.

Mrs. H. Kent favored the endorsation of the principle involved; of course opinions would differ as to the policy Rev. Mr. Trotter had adopted. Personally she thought that his "revelations" should not have been made to a congregation containing many young people, some of whom at least were unaware of the existence of places such as he described. She was, however, a believer in manly purity, and thought that if Rev. Mr. Trotter would obtain and publish the names of persons attending places such as he had described, good might be accomplished.

Mrs. Scaife and Mrs. William Grant advised that the ladies present express sympathy with the principle at stake, though the procedure might be left alone. Rev. Mr. Trotter had done a very brave and a very noble thing, and it was not for the Women's Council to call in question his methods.

The resolution as finally adopted read as follows:

"We the members of the Woman's Council assembled together in the city hall do adopt the following resolutions:

"1. We believe that it is for the good of public morals that a blow has been struck against unmolested violation of law, and we heartily thank Rev. Ralph W. Trotter for his patriotic efforts in calling public attention to the flagrant violation of the same, and we pledge our sympathy and support to him in every effort for the purification of our city and the protection of our homes.

"2. We commend the prompt action of members of the city council who have given notice of a motion asking for an investigation of our police department; and we earnestly pray that our city council may sustain the resolution and put themselves on record as unanimously in favor of the enforcement of our laws, and that the investigation may be made most thorough.

"3. We earnestly desire to direct the attention of our city council to the frequency of boys of tender years entering saloons, and earnestly hope that this shall be forbidden by the Victoria public morals bylaw.

"4. We appeal to the women of Victoria and to the public generally, and we pledge to each other our best efforts to compel those in authority to honestly and earnestly enforce the criminal law."

The Council then adjourned until Monday afternoon, the 24th instant, when two very important resolutions will be taken into consideration. The first of these stands in the name of Mrs. Gordon Grant, and is in the direction of petitioning the legislature that scientific temperance education in the public schools be made compulsory.

It is also proposed in the same resolution that the legislature be requested to enact a law prohibiting children from being upon the streets at night. Mrs. Tait, as representative of the W.C.T.U., asks that the legislature be requested to enact a law for the protection of the rights of married women—first by enacting that a widow shall always be entitled to one-third of her husband's estate, her right and claim being prior to any other obligations; and, second, that no mortgage or other similar instrument may be legally executed by a married man where it affects the property of husband and wife, without the latter's signature.

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THE REMEDY.

The abstract of the remedial bill now before Parliament in our issue of Sunday shows that it resembles very closely the Ontario school law, which is, on the whole, satisfactory to the inhabitants of that province of all creeds. It is, we are free to admit, unfortunate that the Government of Manitoba allowed the matter of the grievance of the minority to go as far as it has gone. It would have been much better for all concerned if they themselves had undertaken to redress the grievance of the minority. This could have been easily done, and the federal interposition would have been unnecessary. But that Government have rejected all advances towards a compromise, and have chosen to treat the application to the Federal Government as an attempted invasion of the rights of the Province. But here is where they and their friends in the other provinces make a mistake. There has been no invasion of Manitoba's rights, and there will be no coercion.

The Legislature of Manitoba has not the right to do as it likes in the matter of education. It has, by its own act, restricted its jurisdiction on that subject. It has in the federal compact agreed to give the denominational minority, whether Protestant or Roman Catholic, certain rights as regards education. This the Manitoba Government and Legislature knew or ought to have known when the school law of 1890 was enacted, when they took from the Roman Catholic minority rights and privileges which they had enjoyed for nineteen years. The minority, as it had a perfect right to do, appealed from the act of 1890 to the Governor-General in Council. The Governor-General in Council, as was his duty to do, heard that appeal and, as he also had power to do under the constitution, found that it was well grounded. Then, as the Constitution directed him to do, he requested the Government of Manitoba to redress the grievance, and he afterwards submitted the Manitoba complaint to Parliament to be remedied, and suggested the remedy. Every step in the whole proceeding has been taken strictly in accordance with the Constitution, as strictly and as regularly as any dispute between individuals is submitted to a court of law for decision. The issue is a matter of contract, and however Parliament decides there is no coercion, no interference with the rights of the Province of Manitoba. It would have been better, much better, as we have already said, for all concerned, if it had like many disputes between individuals, been settled out of court. But since it has been allowed to go to trial, it is most foolish and highly improper for either of the parties to complain of coercion or of undue interference. The Constitution creates and defines the rights of the province and the minority in this matter, and it points out the course to be pursued by the party aggrieved. When, therefore, everything has been done as the Constitution prescribes, as has been the case in this Manitoba matter, who is justified in complaining of coercion?

SIR RICHARD'S STAND.

Sir Richard Cartwright is most tenacious of his opinions. The Leader of his party may twist and turn on the trade question, he may have a new policy every month, but Sir Richard Cartwright adheres to his policy of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States. He courageously accepts all the consequences involved in the adoption of that policy — the assimilation of Canada's tariff with that of the United States and discrimination in trade against Great Britain.

A few days ago while speaking on the Budget he had occasion to read from some of his old letters on the trade question. Here is how the Toronto Globe relates the incident: "As it came nearing six o'clock Sir Richard came to a sentence in his letter where it declared that the people of Canada looked for relief from the system of protection to continental free trade or unrestricted reciprocity. There were ministerial 'hear, hears.' 'I stand by it, every word of it,' Sir Richard retorted."

The Finance Minister is too able and too alert a debater not to take advantage of this latest profession of Sir Richard Cartwright's commercial faith. In his Budget speech he thus reminded the House of the position which the financier-in-chief of the Grit party had taken. He said:

The hon. member from South Oxford Sir Richard Cartwright—had cleared up all doubts of his position but two days ago, when he had reiterated his political beliefs of 1891.

Sir Richard Cartwright—1892.

Mr. Foster—One of his beliefs is that free trade with the United States is of greater moment to this country than free trade with all the rest of the world, with the United States left out.

Sir Richard Cartwright—Hear, hear.

Mr. Foster—No man knows better than my hon. friend that free trade with the United States is impossible without discrimination against the rest of the world (hear, hear), and he himself has stated it again and again.

It is important just now to know how Sir Richard Cartwright stands on the trade question. He is admittedly the leader of the Grit party in all that relates to trade and finance, and the policy which he advocates will in all probability be the policy of his party if that party is ever again raised to power. The Grits cannot afford to throw over Sir Richard, and if he is made Finance Minister he will be certain to have his own way. Mr. Laurier in matters financial would be a child in his hands, and there is no one in the party who can take Sir Richard Cartwright's place. It is, then, safe to say that if Sir Richard has not abandoned the policy of commercial union and all that that policy involves it has not been abandoned by the Grit party. Mr. Laurier may skilfully keep it in the background; he may hide himself behind some range of imaginary hills or may mask his batteries, but if the people should place him in a position in which he considers concealment no longer necessary, he will come out into the open and let the world see what are his real aims, or rather Sir Richard Cartwright will do it for him.

Electors, therefore, must not forget that the adoption of the protective tariff of the United States and discrimination in trade against Great Britain are still as they were in 1891, the principal features of the policy of the leading financier and the ablest man of the Grit party.

ENGLAND'S NATURAL ALLY.

The hatred of the English so generally felt, or at any rate so freely expressed by the people of the United States, is very far indeed from being reciprocated by the British. Although many Americans write and talk of Great Britain as a bitter enemy, whom it is the duty of all good United States citizens to denounce and defy, Englishmen in general speak and write of Americans in the kindest and most cordial way. They seem never for a moment to forget that Americans are their kinsmen, and that they have more in common with them than with the citizens of any other nation. The origin of this friendliness is not in merely prudential considerations, for Englishmen believe that Americans are, on the whole, under greater obligations to Great Britain than the British are to the United States. Both nations are, of course, as independent as nations in this age of the world can be, but their relations are such that, if they were interrupted, the United States would be the greater sufferer. However this may be, it is certain that the great majority of Englishmen would like to see their country on the most friendly terms with the United States. An evidence of the partiality of Englishmen for their cousins on this side of the Atlantic can be found in an article that appeared in the London Spectator during the late crisis. Discussing the subject of alliances the Spectator says:

The English would prefer a permanent alliance with the United States to any other that could be suggested, and many of the wisest among them believe that such an alliance is among the certainties of the future. The two countries have no conflicting interests; they are not divided either by race, religion, or political ideals; and they have a profound reliance on each other's strength, endurance and fidelity. The time, however, is not ripe. The two nations have few common interests, they are divided by traditional antipathies which produce distrust, and one of them dislikes and repudiates the idea of being involved in European complications. Neither the antipathies nor the isolation of the Union will last, America growing fast out of her seclusion; but for the present she could offer us nothing except neutrality, and with that we must perforce remain contented. That is enough to secure our hearty good will; but for a working alliance available for the next few years, we shall be compelled to turn elsewhere--that is, in practice, either to Russia or France, or it may even chance to both.

A permanent alliance between Great Britain and the United States may be much nearer than the writer of the Spectator's article imagines. When Great Britain and her colonies become more closely united than they are at present, when they form a federation like the United States themselves, it will manifestly be to the interest of the United States to be on the best possible terms with the great English-speaking nation. The federation will be for commercial as well as for other purposes, and the Great Republic may find that trade considerations alone will draw it into a close alliance with the Great British Empire.

THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

The Senate of the United States has lost its high reputation. It was once looked upon as one of the ablest, if not the very ablest, and the purest deliberative body in existence. It discussed and deliberated upon great and important subjects in a manner consistent with their greatness and importance. The decisions of the Senate were given on the merits of the questions before it. Sectional considerations had little weight with its members, and personal considerations apparently none at all. The senators were men of uncommon ability and high character.

The Senate of to-day may be said to be the opposite of all this. Men find their way into it that are remarkable for nothing but their talent for scheming and their want of principle. The old States, in which talent and integrity are appreciated, and the Senators from which represent large sections of the population, are swamped by new and thinly peopled States where men of culture and talent are scarce. Many of the Senators from these States are ignorant and corrupt. Some of them have bought their way into the Senate, and others have pushed themselves into that body by practising the arts of the demagogue. Being narrow-minded, unpatriotic and unintelligent, their only object is to advance what they consider the interests of the section or the industry which they represent. The worst of it is, that each State having the privilege of sending two men to the Senate, the representatives of a few thinly peopled States exercise an influence wholly disproportioned to the importance of the territory which they represent. Besides, the senators from these States are wholly unqualified to exercise the influence they possess for the advantage of even their own sections, to say nothing of the country at large.

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THE CITY.

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A SPECIAL meeting of the city school board is to be held to-morrow evening at the office of the secretary.

THE Royal Templars of Temperance will provide an excellent concert programme at their open meeting this evening.

AT a very largely attended meeting of the Natural History Society, Captain Walbran delivered a very interesting lecture on the early navigators of British Columbia waters.

IN the city police court yesterday Jennie Smith and Ida Wesley were each fined $7 for assault. The women had engaged in a fight, and were summoned by constable Clayards.

FROM Hayward's undertaking rooms, Government street, to Christ Church cathedral and thence to Ross Bay cemetery was the route of march of the procession which followed the remains of the late J. P. Shann on Sunday afternoon. Both at the cathedral and at the grave impressive services were conducted by Right Rev. Bishop Perrin. The pallbearers were C. F. Parron, Geo. Ramsay, W. H. Collister, Wm. Jenkins, W. H. Stewart and E. Dickinson.

REV. E. Knappe, of Seattle, superintendent of Lutheran missions, conducted special services in German at the Reformed Episcopal schoolroom on Sunday morning. A fair audience of the Lutheran faith attended, and after service a warm reception was given the visiting clergyman. Mr. Knappe left for home yesterday evening, but proposes revisiting the people of his form of belief four weeks from Sunday. As a result of Mr. Knappe's visit to Victoria a Lutheran congregation will in all probability be organized before long.

AT a special meeting of the Ministerial Association yesterday the following resolution was adopted, the secretary being at the same time requested to furnish copies to the local press: "Whereas Rev. Ralph W. Trotter is a member of a committee appointed by this Association, on July 8, 1895, for the purpose of securing such information as would lead to the reform of abuses existing in the city of Victoria, we hereby express our heartiest approval of and support in the campaign, of which the first notes have been sounded by Rev. R. W. Trotter." Rev. Mr. Trotter, in the course of his last Sunday evening's sermon, expressed his intention of laying a specific charge on oath, upon which the investigation into the affairs of the police department may be proceeded with.

THE RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP.

How Vancouver Defeated Nanaimo in the Final Game of the Series at Brockton Point.

The final championship Rugby game, played at Brockton Point, on Saturday last, between Nanaimo and Vancouver, was one of the roughest and hardest-fought ever seen in the province, the "Hornets" fully sustaining their reputation for rough handling whenever opportunity offered. The game was essentially a forward one, clean passing by the backs being conspicuous by its absence. Nanaimo kicked off at about half-past three, and the ball being returned into touch by E. Miller, a series of loose scrimmages resulted in the centre, from where the leather was gradually worked into Vancouver's "twenty-five," C. Woodward, who played a star game throughout, relieving. Nanaimo secured a free kick from half-way, and Saunders returning by a good drop, the ball was rushed into Nanaimos "25," but soon came back to centre by a penalty kick in favor of Nanaimo.

With the score still a blank, Vancouver kicked off at half time with a slight wind in their favor, the forwards on either side working "for all they knew how." The Hornets by sheer hard fighting intermingled with many personal "scraps" succeeded in taking the ball within two yards of Vancouver's line, for whom things for a few minutes looked very dark until C. Woodward kicked into touch, and the ball was rushed away by a good dribble to Nanaimo's "25." E. Miller secured the oval and passed to C. Woodward, who grounded the ball between the posts after a splendid run, and secured the major point by kicking a neat goal amid a great demonstration from the crowd. Nanaimo's play fell all to pieces after this, and "no side" being called shortly after the game ended in another victory being added to Vancouver's unbroken record by five points to nil, securing them the challenge cup and the championship of the province.

The following is the team picked by the Victoria Rugby Football Club to play against Nanaimo on Saturday next on the Caledonia grounds: Full back, H. Petticrew; three-quarters, J. W. Miller, C. Gamble, Wigram and Scholefield; halves, F. Ward and George Ward; forwards, A. Crease, P. Hibben, J. K. Macrae, H. Austin, A. G. Langley, H. S. Loveland, H. Chance and A. Goward. Reserves, Wollaston, F. Smith and Spain. There will be a practice this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Caledonia grounds. All members are requested to turn out so as to give the team practice.

MME. LAIRD'S CONCERT.

A Programme of More Than Ordinary Interest and Importance to Be Presented This Evening.

A musical event of more than ordinary importance or passing interest is that of which Institute hall will this evening be the scene—the grand concert by Mme. Laird, under the patronage of the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Dewdney. The programme will contain many special features, among which may be mentioned the singing by a chorus of twenty young ladies under Mr. Clement Rowland's direction, of A. G. Crowe's celebrated waltz, which created such a furore at the Covent Garden, London. The choir of St. Andrew's (R. C.) cathedral and the Cithara's Club will also assist, and the opportunity will be afforded Victorians of hearing Mr. and Mrs. Clement Rowlands, whose voices there is a strong probability of British Columbia losing in the near future. Here is the complete and very attractive programme:

1. Chorus—a. Sailors' Lullaby. b. A Holiday ..... Vincent
2. Berceuse ..... Benjamin Godard
   Mr. W. Ralph Higgins.
3. Solo—"Love's Old Sweet Song" ..... Graham
   Mrs. Clement Rowlands.
4. Quartette—"Non e Ver" ..... Mattie
   "The Citharas."
5. Gondola Duet ..... Kucken
   Mme. Laird and Miss Lizzie Dobson.
6. Solo—"Israefel" ..... Oliver King
   Mr. Clement Rowlands.
7. "Et Incarnatus est" ... T. Von La Hache
   St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Choir. Soloists—Miss McNiff, Messrs. Lang and Sehl; chorus under direction of Mr. C. A. Lombard.
8. Gipsy Waltz—A. G. Crowe, chorus of ladies' voices with solo by Mrs. Rowlands, under the direction of Mr. Rowlands.
9. Trio—"Call of the Fairies" .....
   Miss McNiff, Miss Minnie Munsie and Miss Dobson.
10. Violin Solo—"Legendi". H. Wieniawski
    [By special request.]
    Mr. E. A. Wolff, L.C.M.
11. Solo—"Creole Love Song" ..... Pinsuti
    Mr. E. Pratt.
12. Waltz—"Il Bacio" ..... Arditi
    [By request.]
    Madame Laird.
13. Ave Verum ..... J. Wiegand
    St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Choir. Soloists—Miss McNiff and Mr. Oliver; chorus under the direction of Mr. C. A. Lombard.

THE HOSPITAL BOARD.

Plans of the Proposed Pemberton Operating Room Shown by Mr. Teague.

At the meeting of the Jubilee hospital board last night, there were present Messrs. Joshua Davies, in the chair; G. H. Brown, T. Shotbolt, John Braden, I. Braverman, W. J. Dwyer, J. L. Crimp, F. B. Pemberton, Chas. Hayward, A. Wilson, H. D. Helmcken and J. Stuart Yates.

The committee of the month recommended that the northeast corner of the hospital grounds be put under cultivation, as by that means a full supply of both vegetables and fruit could be raised. This was considered a good suggestion and was referred to the incoming committee to take up.

Regret was expressed at Dr. Helmcken's intention to resign and a resolution was passed asking him to reconsider the matter and to withdraw his resignation.

The number of patients received at the hospital during January was 35; total number treated, 69; discharged, 24; deceased, 5; in hospital February 1, 40; number of free patients treated during January, 48; paying patients, 21; total days of stay, 1,223, and of these 928 were free. In reference to these figures, Dr. Richardson reported that the cost per patient for maintenance was $1.24; the average cost for food for each inmate of the hospital was twenty-one cents, as low as any form of economy can bring it.

The Matron acknowledged donations as follows: Books and magazines, Dr. Hasell; clothing, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. G. H. Barnard; ladies' auxiliary; apples, ladies' auxiliary. These reports were all filed.

In reply to an inquiry by the Matron as to whether or not two of the probationers had applied before the new rules as to salaries were decided upon, it was decided to inform her that the new rules would be strictly adhered to.

Accounts for January to the amount of $1,028.60 were passed.

The plans of the proposed new operating room were shown to the board by Mr. John Teague, architect, who by request attended the meeting. The plans provide for a one-storey brick addition, an octagonal operating room 24 feet in diameter, connected with the main building by a corridor. The operating room has a roof and a good part of the sides of glass. Behind it is provision for a sterilizing room with a basement. The plans were referred to Mrs. Pemberton for her approbation and to be afterwards considered by the board. The board then adjourned.

A MEETING is to be held at Christ Church cathedral schoolroom this evening to receive the report of the committee appointed a fortnight ago in connection with the proposed memorial to the late Bishop Hills.

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THE DOCTOR'S DILEMMA.

Richard Morrison, M. D., of This City the Central Figure in a Dramatic Incident.

What He Declares Was Nothing But a Joke Is Very Differently Interpreted.

Dr. Richard Morrison of this city created quite a sensation in the quiet little city of Port Angeles a few days ago, and, according to both the Leader and the Tribune-Times, is at the present held in very light esteem by all classes of the community in consequence of the incident that caused all the commotion. The doctor doesn't care to discuss the matter in detail; he states simply that it was all a joke and he regrets that his desire to have a little fun should have been so grievously misinterpreted.

The misunderstanding, if such it was, developed out of a conversation which Dr. Morrison had with Mr. M. J. Carrigan, secretary of the Angeles Board of Trade, on the conclusion of the meeting of taxpayers and property owners held in the board rooms on the evening of January 28. The doctor was not acquainted with Mr. Carrigan, but introduced himself and asked a private interview, which was accorded.

He then explained, to quote the Tribune-Times, that he had with him a gentleman from San Francisco to whom he had represented that he had coal on his Angeles land, for the purpose of making a sale. He proposed that Carrigan should meet the gentleman, whom he would introduce, and the next morning take them out to the shaft or drill-hole made last year and represent there was coal there and that the coal was on the doctor's land. Thereupon the doctor could put a sale through to a San Francisco syndicate for $40,000 and he would pay Carrigan $5,000 cash.

Carrigan, who had listened thus far, would listen no longer. He called upon a friend to shut and lock the door and then turned upon Dr. Morrison, exclaiming indignantly, "I refuse your offer. Your proposition is a damnable and unpardonable insult, and for all the money ever coined I would not be induced to be a party to such a swindling operation. Capt. Bradley, Capt. Morrisey, Mr. White, Mr. Banks and Mr. O'Shaughnessy, I call upon you gentlemen all, to witness I denounce this man, Dr. Morrison of Victoria, and I expose him and his proposition."

Dr. Morrison having, once again to quote from the Tribune-Times, admitted that Carrigan had explained the proposition correctly, hastily added, "Yes, yes—I made a mistake; I made a mistake." From each and all present came expressions of contempt, all directed against the Doctor, and when someone made the proposition, "Let's throw him into the bay," the Doctor moved toward the door. He was allowed to go, and as he passed the doorkeeper he offered to shake hands with that worthy, who promptly put his hands in his pockets and remarked, "I'll not shake hands with a cur."

Mr. Ayers, of San Francisco, is said to have been negotiating with Dr. Morrison since December last for the purchase of coal lands comprised in Morrison's addition to Port Angeles, in section 8, township 30 n., range 6 w.—40 acres in all. The Doctor had sent him five sacks of coal, said to be from Morrison's addition, and his object in coming north was to convince himself of the bonafide value of the property. Port Angeles residents are now waiting to see whether or not he will institute any proceedings against the Doctor as the outcome of the joke.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Second Session of the Seventh Parliament.

ELEVENTH DAY.

MONDAY, Feb. 10, 1896.

Mr. Booth took the chair at 2 p.m.

Mr. Hunter presented the third report of the private bills committee.

Hon. Col. Baker presented a statement of the bonds deposited by provincial government employes.

Mr. Smith introduced a bill to amend the B. C. Southern railway act. Read a first time.

Mr. Kellie introduced a bill to incorporate the Nelson electric light company. Read a first time.

CARMANAH POINT WIRE.

MR. RITHET moved: "Whereas a resolution is before this house pointing out the urgent necessity for a vessel to render assistance to vessels and their crews in case of shipwreck on the west coast of Vancouver island; and whereas in order to render such service of the greatest utility it is desirable that telegraphic communication should be maintained with as little interruption as practicable; and whereas the telegraph line now existing between Victoria and Carmanah Point on the west coast of Vancouver island is maintained and operated by a private company, and communication is frequently interrupted for long intervals on account of the wires being down; and whereas this service is one which is of the greatest public importance and necessity, and might be made of greater utility and efficiency if managed and controlled by some of the departments of the Dominion government at Victoria instead of as at present: Be it resolved, That a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor requesting him to press upon the Dominion government the desirability of placing the telegraph line and service between Victoria and Carmanah Point under the direct management and control of some department of the Dominion government at Victoria, with a view to its greater efficiency and utility in the public interest, humane as well as commercial." The mover said he wished it distinctly understood that he had no desire to interfere with the private rights of any company doing business within the limits of the territory mentioned; his object was only to serve the public interest. There is no revenue to be derived out of this line to Carmanah Point, and hence the house will appreciate the necessity for having it under public control. The interests of the public require that so important a service shall be under the direct control of the government. It is absolutely necessary that if the line is to be of any use at all it shall be maintained properly, and this will not be possible so long as it is in the hands of a private company. In 1894 the Dominion government paid out over $6,000 in connection with this service, which should have been amply sufficient to keep up the line. He took it for granted that if the line comes under the control of the Dominion government they will see it to be in their interest, as it will be their duty, to have it put in an efficient state, and the communication maintained by the most economical route. He therefore moved the resolution he had read, seconded by the junior member for Victoria city.

HON. MR. TURNER congratulated the mover upon his action in this matter, it being one of very great importance, especially to the shipping interests of Victoria. He agreed that the Dominion government should take hold of the line at once and put it in an efficient state.

MR. COTTON—Whose hands is it in now?

MR. RITHET—The Canadian Pacific Railway.

HON. COL. BAKER mentioned the accident which occurred to the Warrimoo some months ago as an instance where prompt communication from Carmanah Point might have been of vital importance. After that occurrence the Admiral had informed him that it is very advisable to inform the senior officer on this naval station when a vessel is ashore and in danger, as one of Her Majesty's ships might if necessary go to the rescue.

MR. COTTON thought that the members on both sides would endorse the views expressed in the resolution and by the mover, but before it goes to the Dominion government he thought it should correctly state the facts. He referred to the assertion that the line is in the hands of a private company—the Canadian Pacific Railway, for he believed that that company have nothing to do with the expense of maintaining the line. He supposed some confusion in this respect had arisen from the fact that the superintendent of the line to Carmanah Point happens to be the superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway telegraph lines in this province, but the salary Mr. Wilson receives for this service is paid by the Dominion government, and the expenses of maintenance are paid by direct remittance from Ottawa. The only connection the C.P.R. company have with the Carmanah Point service is that as a matter of convenience the end of the line in Victoria is run into the C.P.R. office.

MR. RITHET said he was perfectly aware of the conditions which exist, as just stated, and he recalled the fact that he had informed the house that the expenditure by the Dominion government on this line in 1894 was $6,000. Nevertheless, it is virtually under the control of the C.P.R. Company, and when anything is to be done in connection with it application has to be made to them. He therefore thought that the resolution as it stood was perfectly correct.

Motion agreed to, unanimously.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT EAST LILLOOET.

MR. SEMLIN moved for a return giving the report of the provincial auditor in reference to accounts of the road superintendent of East Lillooet. Motion agreed to.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced and read a first time:

To repeal "An act to aid the development of quartz mines" and amending act.—Hon. Col. Baker.

For the relief of the municipal corporation of the township of Langley.—Hon. Mr. Eberts.

To further amend the "Fire insurance policy act."—Hon. Mr. Eberts.

MINING RECORDER AT BARKERVILLE.

HON. MR. TURNER, in answer to Mr. Semlin, stated that the expense authorized in connection with the change of the winter quarters of the Mining Recorder from Richfield to Barkerville was $300. The government did not hear of any opposition on the part of the people of the district; it was deemed more convenient to the residents generally to have the office at Barkerville, the principal business centre. The assayer has passed an examination for assaying. The reduction works on Island Mountain are leased for $100 per annum and three per cent. royalty on the ores taken out.

HON. MR. TURNER, in answer to Mr. Macpherson said it is not the intention to amend the assessment act (relative to the so-called tax on mortgages) at this session.

RETURNS PRESENTED.

HON. COL. BAKER presented a supplementary return of papers in connection with the appointment of a commissioner for the revision of the statutes.

HON. COL. BAKER presented a return showing the terms upon which the settlement of the railway land question between the Provincial and Dominion governments has been completed.

Report from committee on the mischievous animals bill was considered, together with several proposed amendments, and further consideration of the report was adjourned.

SCHOOL LANDS.

HON. MR. MARTIN presented a message from the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting a bill to provide a fund for educational purposes by the sale of public lands.

The house went into committee on the notaries bill, Mr. Stoddart in the chair, and having adopted the clauses in the bill as introduced rose and reported progress.

AID TO PHYSICIANS.

MR. MACPHERSON asked: 1. Are there any physicians receiving government aid where more than one practise in the same district? 2. If any, how many? 3. If any, name and district. 4. If any, at whose request were such grant or grants, and appointment or appointments, made? 5. If by petition from residents of district, give names on such petition.

HON. COL. BAKER answered: 1. Assuming that the question means, "Is there more than one physician in any electoral district receiving government aid?" the answer is "Yes." 2. Five; two. 3. A. M. Sutton, Nicola; E. J. Offerhaus, Spallumcheen; J. R. Williams, Ashcroft; B. F. Boyce, Okanagan Mission; and R. W. Jakes, Midway—all in Yale district. M. Callanan and H. Watt, 150-Mile House, lower part of Cariboo district. 4. A. M. Sutton, and J. R. Williams, by petition. In answer to 5 several pages of names are given.

Report from committee on the Royal Inland Hospital bill was adopted.

EMPLOYEES' WAGES.

MR. KELLIE moved the second reading of his bill to secure to employees a preference for three months salary over other creditors in every case.

HON. MR. EBERTS thought that the objects of the bill are very good, but he called attention to the fact that some of its sections are already the law of the land—for instance in the case of an execution debtor his employees have this preference.

Read a second time.

CATTLE THIEVING.

MR. GRAHAM moved the second reading of the line fences and water-courses bill, which he explained is to correct a mistake of last session. Motion agreed to.

MR. GRAHAM moved the second reading of the cattle bill, which he explained is to deal with the evil of cattle stealings, especially in the case of animals which had strayed into bands on their way to market. It provides for a system of reports to the government agents by buyers and sellers of cattle.

MR. ADAMS spoke in support of the principle of the bill.

HON. MR. EBERTS commended the efforts of the mover to secure protection against cattle thieves. He was not quite sure that some of the sections could be brought down except on message from the Lieutenant-Governor.

The debate was adjourned on motion of Mr. Sword.

The house adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Adams—To introduce a bill to preserve the trunk road between Ashcroft and Barkerville.

Mr. Sword—For a return showing the fees obtained for log scaling up to 31st December 1895; the localities where such logs were scaled, and particulars of each case.

Mr. Sword—For a return of all papers in connection with the floating of the recent loan of £420,000, including a copy of the prospectus and of the instructions given to Messrs Woolston and Beeton.

Mr. Williams—For a return of the report of the provincial auditors in reference to the accounts of W. H. Falding and James Charles Prevost.

Mr. Helmcken—To introduce a bill to amend the distress for rent act 1895.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT.

Mr. Sword—As to the names of official scalers, their salaries and the bonds they have given.

Mr. Sword—Did the government receive any intimation that they could have the amount of the loan of £420,000 subscribed in Victoria. If so, what was the rate offered and what would have been the net amount received by the government?

Mr. Sword—To ask the Finance Minister—Did you state in Montreal, as reported in the COLONIST of 2nd October last, that parties went on the stock exchange in London and offered British Columbia bonds at a lower rate than they were selling at when you arrived there? What amount of bonds were so offered? Did you call the attention of the trustees for the sinking funds of the province to this opportunity of making a profitable investment of any funds in their hands?

Mr. Cotton—Has the government appointed any person as an immigration agent to Eastern Canada or the United Kingdom? 2. If so, what is the name of such person, the amount of his salary and any allowance made him for expenses?

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RAILWAY BELT LANDS.

Details of the Agreement With the Dominion Laid Before the Legislature.

The return laid before the legislature yesterday with respect to the settlement of the dispute between the Dominion and Provincial governments as to the titles to lands within the railway belt, contains little that was not made public at the time of the settlement. The terms formally proposed by the Dominion were dealt with and approved of by a committee of the executive council of British Columbia, who, on the 6th of December, 1895, reported recommending procedure to give effect to the agreement, and among other things as follows:

The province shall by order in council make provision under which Dominion titles shall be registered in the land registry offices of the province.

The provincial government obtaining from Arthur Stanhope Farwell, Gustavus Blinn Wright, Simon John Tunstall and James K. Callbreath, George Behun Martin and James Charles Prevost; Charles Edward Perry, George Byrnes, David McEwen Eberts, James McIntosh (to whom grants had been issued by the provincial government on the 16th January, 1885), or their successors in title, releases and surrenders of the lands within the railway belt severally granted to them, which releases and surrenders shall be accepted by the Dominion government in discharge and satisfaction of the several judgments of the Exchequer court and the Supreme court of Canada and the costs thereof, and the Dominion government shall thereupon issue patents in fee simple to the parties named or their successors. The Provincial government to pay the Dominion for these $1 per acre, the purchase money already received by the Province. This arrangement is not to affect the Sumas dyke lands, which are to be conveyed by the Dominion to the Province as provided by the act. The report to the above effect was duly approved.

"SNOHOMISH BOY'S" OWNER.

Judge Drake Decides That Frank Adams Has to Lose the Horse and Pay Damages.

Amongst the spectators at the County court yesterday were a large number of horsemen, the interest centring in a suit to determine the ownership of the well known trotter Snohomish Boy. The suit was Lawry v. Adams. The plaintiff's claim was that he sent Snohomish Boy over to Victoria in charge of one J. C. Johnson, to be entered for the races. The horse was never returned, and was eventually found in the possession of Frank Adams, of this city. Adams said he had bought the horse from Johnson, believing him to be the owner at the time the sale was made.

The plaintiff, C. L. Lawry, of Snohomish, the first witness, said he had bought Snohomish Boy from Tomlin Elwell, and produced a bill of sale to bear this out. He had last summer engaged Johnson to train and race him, but Johnson had no authority to sell the horse—which Lawry valued at $1,000. T. Elwell corroborated plaintiff's story of the sale.

D. Mitchell stated that Mr. Adams consulted him about buying the horse from Johnson, but as Johnson's price fell in one day from $600 to $375, witness told Adams there was something queer about it.

It was proved for the plaintiff that a telegram had been sent by Johnson to Elwell while negotiations were on for the sale to Adams, asking how much the horse should be sold at.

For the defence the defendant, F. Adams, proved that he had bought the horse from Johnson for $375. The horse had been passed through the customs in Johnson's name as owner and Johnson had trotted the animal as owner. He had not asked Johnson for the bill of sale from the original owner.

J. C. Johnson swore that for three years he had complete control of the horse. He had agreed with Elwell to trot the horse and take half the proceeds and if he could sell the horse he was to have any excess over $250. He had sold the horse to Adams, as he had a right to do.

W. J. Chambers was called to show Snohomish Boy had been entered at the races here by Johnson as owner before Adams bought the animal.

H. Fields and another witness named Benlow considered the value of the horse to be $300.

Mr. Justice Drake gave judgment against defendant, holding that Johnson had no right to sell the horse to Adams. It was ordered that the horse be delivered by defendant to plaintiff by noon to-day, and a payment made of $25, or otherwise he would have to pay $650.

Mr. George E. Powell appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. J. A. Aikman for the defendant.

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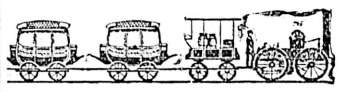

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A SET OF ROGUES

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CHAPTER XX.

Feeling in the absence of Dawson that I stood in the position of a guardian to his daughter and was responsible for her welfare, my mind grew very uneasy about the consequences of her extravagant admiration for the painter, and knowing that Don Sanchez, despite his phlegmatic humor, loved Moll very sincerely at heart, I took him aside one day and asked him if he had observed nothing particular in Moll's behavior of late.

"One would be blind," says he, "not to see that she is enamored of Dario, if that's what you mean."

I admitted that my suspicions inclined that way, and explaining my concern on her behalf I asked him what he would do in my place.

"In my country," says he, "matters never would have been suffered to go so far, and Mistress Judith would have been shut up a prisoner in her room these past three weeks, but I doubt if our maidens are any the safer or better for such treatment, and I am quite sure that such treatment would be worse than useless for an English girl, and especially such a one as this, for, guard her how you might, she would assuredly find means to break her prison, and then no course is open to her but to throw herself into the arms of the man she loves, trusting to mere accident whether he abused her devotion or not. You might as well strive to catch the wind and hold it as stay and stem the course of youthful passion."

"Aye, senor," says I, "this may be all very true, but what should you do in my place?"

"Nothing," says he.

This was a piece of advice which set me scratching my head in dubitation.

"Beware," continues he, "how you suggest the thing you fear to one who needs but a hint to act. I have great faith in the natural modesty of women—and I do think no child more innocent than Mistress Judith—which, though it blind them to their danger, does at the same time safeguard them against secret and illicit courses of more fatal results. Let her discourse with him openly, since it pleases her. In another fortnight or so Dario's work will be finished, he will go away, our young lady will shed secret tears and be downcast for a week. Then another swain will please her, and she'll smile again. That, as I take it, will be the natural order of events, unless," adds he, "that natural order is disturbed by some external influence."

Maugre this sage advice, my concern being unabated, I would step pretty frequently into the room where these young people were, as if to see how the work was going forward, and with such a quick step that had any interchange of amorous sentiments existed I must at one time or another have discovered it. But I never detected any sign of this—no bashful silence, no sudden confusion or covert interchange of glances. Sometimes they would be chatting lightly, at others both would be standing silent, she maybe holding a bunch of leaves with untiring steadfastness for him to copy. But I observed that she was exceedingly jealous of his society, and no matter how glibly she was talking when I entered or how indifferent the subject she would quickly become silent, showing me very plainly by her manner that she would vastly prefer my room to my company.

Still I was not displeased to see this ceiling fresco drawing near to its completion.

"You are getting on apace," says I very cheerfully one day. "I reckon you will soon have done."

"Yes," answers he, "in a week I shall have naught to do but to pack up my tools and go."

There was an accent of sorrow in his voice, despite himself, which did not escape me nor Moll neither, for I saw her cast her eyes upon his face as if to read if there were sadness there. But she said never a word.

However, in the afternoon she comes to me, and says she:

"I am resolved I will have all the rooms in the house plastered if Signor Dario will consent to paint them."

"All the rooms!" says I in alarm. "Surely you have not counted the cost of what you propose."

"I suppose I have enough to keep my house in suitable condition."

"Without doubt, though I expect such work as Signor Dario's must command a high price."

"All I ask of you, then," says she, "is to bid my steward have £5,000 ready for my uses, and within a week, lest I should need it suddenly. Should he raise objections"—

"As assuredly he will," says I, who knew the crafty, subtle character of old Simon full well by this time. "A thousand, and not one you can pick a hole in."

"Then show him this and tell him I accept Mr. Goodman's offer unless he can find more profitable means of raising money."

With that she puts in my hand a letter she had that morning received from one Henry Goodman, a tenant, showing how, having heard that she had disposed of a farm to his neighbor, he humbly prayed she would do him the same good turn by selling him the land he now rented, and for which he was prepared to pay down in ready money the sum of £5,000.

Armed with this letter, I sought Simon and delivered Moll's message. As I expected, the wily old man had good excuses ready for not complying with this request, showing me the pains he had taken to get the king's seal, his failures to move the king's officers, and the refusal of his goldsmith to furnish further supplies before the deed of succession was passed.

"These objections are all very just," says I, "so I see no way of pleasing our lady but by selling Mr Goodman's farm, which she will have done at once if there be no alternative."

So I give him the letter, which he can scarce read for trembling with anguish.

"What," cries he, coming to an end, "I am to sell this land which I bought for £900 and is now worth £6,000? I would rather my mistress had bid me have the last teeth torn from my head."

"We must have money," says I.

"Thee shalt have it in good time. Evans hath been paid, and thy debt shall be discharged. Fear not."

"I spoke as representing our lady. For ourselves we are content to wait her better convenience." And I told him how his mistress would lay out her money in embellishing the court with paintings, which put him to a new talking to think so much good money should be wasted in such vanities.

"But," says he, "this work must take time, and one pays for nothing ere 'tis done. By quarter day our rents will be coming in again"—

"No," says I, cutting him short, "the money must be found at once, or be assured that your lady will take the management of her affairs out of your hands."

This raised a fresh outcry and more lamentations, but in the end he promised to procure the money by collecting his rents in advance if his mistress would refuse Mr. Goodman's offer and wait three weeks, and on Moll's behalf I agreed to these terms.

A few days after this we were called into the dining hall to see the finished ceiling, which truly deserved all the praise we could bestow upon it and more, for now that the sky appeared through the opening, with a little pearly cloud creeping across it, the verdure and flowers falling over the marble coping, and the sunlight falling on one side and throwing t'other into shade, the illusion was complete, so that one could scarcely have been more astonished had a leaf fallen from the hanging flowers or a face looked over the balcony. In short, 'twas prodigious.

Nevertheless the painter, looking up at his work with half closed, critical eyes, seemed dissatisfied, and asking us if we found nothing lacking we, not to appear behindhand in judgment, agreed that on one side there was a vacant place which might yet be adorned to advantage.

"Yes," says he, "I see what is wanted and will supply it. That," adds he, gently turning to Moll, "will give me still another day."

"Why, what charm can you add that is not there?" asks she.

"Something," says he in a low voice, "which I must see whenever I do cast my eyes heavenward."

And now Moll, big with her purpose, which she had hitherto withheld from Dario, begs him to come into her stateroom, and there she told how she would have this ceiling plastered over and painted, like her dining hall, if he would undertake to do it.

Dario casts his eye round the room and over the ceiling, and then, shaking his head, says, "If I were in your place, I would alter nothing here."

"But I will have it altered," says she, nettled because he did not leap at once at her offer, which was made rather to prolong their communion than to obtain a picture. "I detest these old fashioned beams of wood."

"They are in keeping with the character of the room. I think," adds he, looking round him again with renewed admiration, "I think I have never seen a more perfect example of English art."

"What of that," cries she, "if it pleases me to have it otherwise?"

"Nothing," returns he calmly. "You have as just a right to stand by your opinion as I by mine."

"And am I to understand that you will rather hold by your opinion than give me pleasure?"

"I pray you do not press me to discourtesy," says he.

"Nay, but I would have a plain answer to my question," says she haughtily.

"Then," says he, angering in his turn, "I must tell you that I would as soon chip an antique statue to suit the taste of a French modiste as disfigure the work of him who designed this room."

Now, whether Moll took this to be a reflection on her own figure, which had grown marvelous slim in the waist since she had her new stays from London, or not I will not say, but certainly this response did exasperate her beyond all endurance, as we could see by her blanched cheek and flashing eye; so, dismissing him with a deep courtesy, she turns on her heel without another word.

This foolish business, which was not very creditable to our Moll's good sense, though I think she acted no worse than other maids in her condition—for I have observed that young people do usually lose their heads at the same time that they lose their hearts—this foolish scene, I say, I would gladly omit from my history but that it completely changed our destiny, for had these two parted with fair words we should probably have seen no more of Dario, and Don Sanchez's prognostic had been realized. Such trifles as these do influence our career so greatly as more serious accidents, our lives being a fabric of events that hang together by the slenderest threads.

Unmoved from his design by Moll's displeasure, Dario replaced his scaffold before he left that day, and the next morning he came to put the last touch upon his work. Moll, being still in dudgeon, would not go near him, but sat brooding in a corner of her stateroom, ready, as I perceived, to fly out in passion at any one who gave her the occasion. Seeing this, Don Sanchez prudently went forth for a walk after dinner, but I, seeing that some one must settle accounts with the painter for his work, staid at home. And when I perceived that he was collecting his materials to go I went in to Moll.

"My dear," says I, "I believe Dario is preparing to leave us."

"My congratulations to him," says she, "for 'tis evident he is weary of being here."

"Nay, won't you come in and see his work now 'tis finished?"

"No. I have no desire to see it. If I have lost my taste for Italian art, 'tis through no fault of his."

"You will see him surely before he goes."

"No. I will not give him another opportunity to presume upon my kindness."

"Why, to be sure," says I, like a fool, "you have been a little overfamiliar."

"Indeed," says she, firing up like a cracker. "Then I think 'twould have been kinder of you to give me a hint of it beforehand. However, 'tis a very good excuse for treating him otherwise now."

"Well, he must be paid for his work, at any rate."

"Assuredly. If you have not money enough, I will fetch it from my closet."

"I have it ready, and here is a purse for the purpose. The question is, how much to put in it, and such a perspective as that could not be handsomely paid under 50 guineas."

"Then you will give him 100 and say that I am exceedingly obliged to him."

I put this sum in the purse and went out into the hall where Dario was waiting, with his basket of brushes beside him. In a poor, bungling, stammering fashion I delivered Moll's message and made the best excuse I could for delivering it in her stead.

He waited a moment or two after I had spoken, and then, says he, in a low voice:

"Is that all?"

"Nay," says I, offering the purse, "we do beg you to take this as"—

He stopped me, pushing my hand aside.

"I have taken a purse from Don Sanchez," says he. "There was more in it than I needed. There are still some pieces left. But as I would not affront him by offering to return them so I beg you will equally respect my feelings. I undertook the task in gratitude, and it hath been a work of love all through, well paid for by the happiness that I have found here."

He stood musing a little while, as if he were debating with himself whether he should seek to overcome Moll's resentment or not. Then, raising his head quickly, he says:

"'Tis best so, maybe. Farewell, sir," giving me his hand. "Tell her," adds he as we stand hand in hand at the door, "that I can never forget her kindness and will ever pray for her happiness."

I found the door ajar and Moll pacing the room very white when I returned. She checked me the moment I essayed to deliver Dario's message.

"You can save your breath," says she passionately. "I've heard every word."

"More shame for you," says I in a passion, casting my purse on the table. "'Tis infamous to treat an honest gentleman thus and silly besides. Come, dear," altering my tone, "do let me run and fetch him back."

"You forget whom you are speaking to, Mr. Hopkins," cries she.

I saw 'twas impossible to move her while she was in this mood, for she had something of her father's obstinate, stubborn disposition and did yet hope to bring Dario back to her feet, like a spaniel, by harsh treatment. But he came no more, though a palette he had overlooked could have given him the excuse, and for very vexation with Moll I was glad he did not.

He had not removed the scaffold, but when I went upon it to see what else he had put into his painting the fading light only allowed me to make out a figure that seemed to be leaning over the balcony.

Moll would not go in there, though I warrant she was dying of curiosity, and soon after supper, which she could scarce force herself to touch, she went up to her own chamber, wishing us a very distant, formal good night and keeping her passionate, angry countenance.

But the next morning ere I was dressed she knocked at my door, and opening it I found her with swollen eyes and tears running down her cheeks.

"Come down," says she betwixt her sobs and catching my hand in hers, "come down and see."

So we went down stairs together, I wondering what now had happened, and so into the dining hall. And there I found the scaffold pushed aside and the ceiling open to view. Then, looking up, I perceived that the figure bending over the balcony bore Moll's own face, with a most sweet, compassionate expression in it as she looked down, such as I had observed when she bent over Dario, having brought him back to life. And this it was that he must ever see when he looks heavenward.

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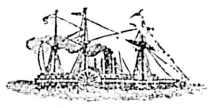

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GOING NORTH.

	Daily	Sat'dy
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8:00	3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'dy
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:20	3:30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 9, 1896.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	37°	Mean 36°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	34°		
9 a.m..	36°	Highest 41.	5 a.m.—12 S.W.
1 p.m.	40°		1 p.m.—Calm.
5 p.m..	39°	Lowest 33°	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	34°		Rain—.00.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—7 hrs.; 12 mins.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 10, 1896.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	31°	Mean 34°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	28°		
9 a.m..	30°	Highest 40°	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	39°		1 p.m.—4 S.
5 p.m..	37°	Lowest 28°	9 p.m.—4 S.E.
9 p.m..	38°		Rain—.00.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Sunshine—0. hrs.; 48 mins.

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

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CONSIGNEES.

Per str. CITY OF KINGSTON from the Sound—Ure & Co, Webster & H, R J Nott, R Jamieson, R Baker & Son, Jas Wright, Bodwell & Irving, J C Davidge & Co, J H Todd & S, Hudson's Bay Co, Yee Yuen & Co, J Dunsmuir, Singer Mfg Co, J H Baxter, A Martin, H Bradley.

Per steamer ROSALIE from the Sound—J Tollich, John Wilson, Mrs P McGlynn, R Porter, Brackman & Ker, F R Stewart, Vancouver; Great Northern Exp Co.

BIRTH.

McRAE—In this city, on the 10th inst., the wife of George McRae, of a son.

DIED.

BROWN—At her residence, Fort street, on the 10th inst., Mrs. Jesse S. Brown, a native of Stromness, Scotland, aged 67 years.

TAVARY GRAND OPERA COMPANY.

Prospects That the Efforts to Bring Them to British Columbia Will Be Successful.

As announced in his "open letter," published in Sunday's issue, Manager Jamieson, of the Victoria theatre, opened a subscription list for the Tavary Grand Opera Company yesterday morning, and by six o'clock last evening had obtained signatures for season tickets to the amount of eight hundred dollars.

This, Mr. Jamieson says, is satisfactory as far as it goes, but it does not go quite far enough. The amount of guarantee required by the company is $5,000 for the week, and the expenses in the two cities would be, roughly, $1,000 more, or $6,000 in all, so that $3,000 business should be done in each city—Victoria and Vancouver. If half of this amount, viz., $1,500, is subscribed in season tickets in each city, Mr. Jamieson will assume the responsibility of the remaining $1,500 in each city himself, but he insists that the full half be signed for first.

This being the case, and as there was $800 subscribed for yesterday, there remains $700 to be raised still, and it is confidently expected that this will be done to-day.

Signatures are being accepted only for season tickets, for which prices have been fixed at a slightly lower rate than single night seats in the same sections. For season tickets for three nights (not including matinee), the prices for orchestra chairs have been fixed at $7.50 each; for front row of orchestra circle, $5 each; back rows of orchestra circle, $4 each; front row of dress circle, Sections A, B and C, $7.50 each; back rows of Section B, in dress circle, $5 each; and back rows of Sections A and C, in dress circle, $3 each.

An examination of the signatures already secured discloses the fact that comparatively few names have been secured of prominent citizens, who might have been expected to be the first to assist in an undertaking of this nature. Probably some who read Mr. Jamieson's letter in Sunday's COLONIST, have allowed the matter to escape their memories.

It certainly is not probable that the wealthier residents and those upon whose patronage the local opera house most depends are on the present occasion careless of the opportunity; nor is it to be believed that they fail to realize the character of the treat which they now have it in their power to secure. By the time 6 o'clock comes this evening the full amount of $1,500 will doubtless have been subscribed—it certainly will if all interested in art give a practical manifestation of that interest—and if the Vancouver public do as well as Victoria, the coming of the Tavary company is then assured.

Mr. Jamieson left for Vancouver by the Charmer this morning to personally interest the Mainland lovers of good music in the proposition.

A consignment of choice timothy hay just arrived. For figures and particulars consult M. McCahill, Spratt's Wharf. x

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

The Steamer "Mary Hare" a Total Wreck Near Chemainus With Heavy Loss.

Somass River Dam in Danger—The "Queen May" Arrives From Japan.

Captain Michael Hare, master and owner of the steamer Mary Hare, which for the past year has been operated among the islands of the Gulf in connection with the Victoria and Sidney railway, arrived on the noon train from Chemainus yesterday, bringing news of the loss of his trim little steamer. The first intimation of the accident was received by wire from Captain Hare earlier in the morning, and soon after this message came, the Captain and three of his crew arrived in person. It was on Thursday evening that the mishap occurred, the steamer then being opposite Cowichan gap, off Reed island. She had gone to Reed island for cordwood fuel, and on going in near shore struck a rock. Nothing could be done to free her from her predicament until a change of tide, and in the meanwhile the crew went ashore to get their supper. On their return they saw with dismay that the steamer was in flames and beyond saving. With difficulty one of her boats was secured, and it was in this that her crew afterwards found their way to Chemainus. There was very little insurance on the vessel, and she therefore is almost a total loss. The Mary Hare was built as a tugboat two years ago but last year was remoddled and housed in on deck, affording comfortable passenger accommodation. There were passenger berths aboard, but the main space was that occupied by a cosily furnished and cheery saloon. With these improvements the vessel's value is placed at between eight and nine thousand dollars. Her loss will not actually mean this amount if the machinery can be saved, and it is probable that much of it can. All the personal effects of the crew, however, were destroyed in the fire, and the hull is badly burned. An examination of the remains will be immediately made, and at present a man is left in charge. No theory has as yet been put forward as to the origin of the fire.

STEAMER "MAUDE'S" RETURN.

All the sealing schooners save one that have left here thus far to engage in the Coast hunting have turned up safely at their ports of destination. The exception, according to the news brought by the Maude on Sunday morning, is the Venture, and there is no particular anxiety felt for her. The weather on the Coast has been extremely rough, but only one vessel so far as known has suffered from it. Before reaching Clayoquot the Sapphire was obliged to throw overboard a deck load of 60,000 feet of lumber, the necessity arising in a heavy gale. At Nootka the Maude met the Saucy Lass, Beatrice and Fawn. The Oscar & Hattie anp Sapphire were spoken at Clayoquot, and the Carrie C. W., Dora Sieward and Minnie at Euculet. As a result of the recent heavy rain storms on the Coast the dam on the Somass river, which operated several Alberni mines, is reported to have been carried away. Thomas Hooper, who is interested in the building of a new cannery there was a passenger to arrive on the Maude. The steamer had delivered a lot of lumber for this cannery, and when she returns to the Coast again this evening she will take an additional heavy consignment. J. C. Anderson and A. Daykin were among other passengers who arrived on Sunday. The Maude's consignees were: M. Strouss, Mrs. C. K. McDougall, R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., J. A. Richie, E. B. Marvin & Co., and R. Ker.

CARGO LADEN FROM JAPAN.

Among the arrivals, foreign, yesterday morning was the three masted schooner Queen May, Captain Bjerre, built in Vancouver a few years ago, and which some months since left British Columbia lumber laden for China. She is now on her return trip and has on board a cargo of 1,491 bags of sulphur, 34 cases of bleaching powder, 20 cases of safety matches and some rugs and paintings consigned to Shallcross, Macauley & Co., of this city. The schooner comes from Kobe, Japan, and had an uneventful passage over. She made a remarkably fast voyage which, notwithstanding two days of calm off Cape Flattery and one day of rough weather, only occupied twenty-six days. The greater part of the Queen May's cargo is for the Victoria chemical works.

THE "WALLA WALLA'S" PASSENGERS.

The following passengers for Victoria are aboard the steamship Walla Walla, which sailed from San Francisco yesterday morning: Lt. Runmer, W. D. Cole, Norman N. Beer, F. Lepoint and wife, Miss Anita Lowry, Mrs. J. H. Peterson, W. S. Rosenthal and wife, Miss Spot, Miss Ramsay, Miss J. Ramsay, John C. Hoover, Miss E. Kimms, C. Retcliffe, P. Callan, J. W. Graham, P. M. Oliver, A. E. Robertson, G. C. Robertson, W. Hord and wife, and Mary Morrison.

MARINE NOTES.

Eight or ten passengers besides a heavy freight will leave for Quatsino on the Mischief this morning. The steamer would have sailed last evening but for some delay in receiving cargo.

According to announcements the C.P.N. steamer Rainbow inaugurated her weekly service between this city and Sooke yesterday morning, leaving on schedule time.

The Fingal arrived from the Fraser yesterday with hay.

ENTERED.

Str Charmer	from	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.
" Maude	"	Nootka.
" Joan	"	Nanaimo.
" Fingal	"	Fraser River.
" Constance	"	Long Island.
Schr. Queen May	"	Hiogo.
" Echo	"	Roche Harbor.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer	for	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.
" Rainbow	"	Sooke.
" Maude	"	Kyuquot.
" Fingal	"	Vancouver.
" Mischief	"	Quatsino.
" Joan	"	Nanaimo.

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NOT BY THE COUNCIL.

Ald. Marchant's Collection Scheme Killed—Reasons Asked for Suggested Legislation.

Motion to Choose a Committee for the Police Investigation Voted Down.

All the members were present and Mayor Beaven presided at the regular meeting of the board of aldermen last evening.

The following self-explanatory letter was read:

VICTORIA, Feb. 6, 1896.

W. J. Dowler, C. M. C.

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 5th inst., handing me copy of a resolution passed by the municipal council in reference to the personal and income taxes to be collected this year by the provincial government, and also suggesting certain amendments to the municipal acts. These matters, it must be admitted, are of very serious importance both to the government and to the city, and it seems to me that it will be necessary for the corporation to place me in possession more fully of their reasons for asking same than is conveyed to me by the bare resolution acknowledged, in order that any steps I may take in the direction asked may be as effective as possible.

I would therefore suggest that before anything further is done, a committee from your board should be appointed to meet the several members from the city, at as early a date as possible, for the purpose of considering the matters referred to. R. P. RITHET.

Hon. Mr. Turner and Mr. Helmcken wrote also acknowledging the receipt of copies of the resolutions.

ALD. HUMPHREY moved that the legislative committee and the Mayor be authorized to meet the city members to discuss the matter. Carried.

A letter from Mrs. Scaife, corresponding secretary of the local council of women, enclosed the resolutions passed yesterday afternoon (elsewhere printed).

ALD. MARCHANT moved that the letter be received and laid on the table. Carried.

Mr. E. E. Wootton, rector's warden St. Barnabas church, wrote asking for an electric light at the corner of Cook street and Caledonia avenue. Referred to the electric light committee.

Mr. Thornton Fell applied for permission to connect his house drain with the Moss street sewer. Referred to the city engineer to report, Ald. Cameron remarking that there is no sewer there—only a surface drain.

Mr. D. R. Ker, for the Brackman & Ker Milling Co., asked early attention to the opening up of Erie street to their mill—as promised four years ago.

M. R. Smith & Co. called attention to the bad state of Niagara and Oswego streets after the water-pipe and drain operations.

Mr. D. McNaughton applied for a sidewalk on Edmonton road.

Mr. James Sorry asked for a few loads of gravel on North Pembroke street, at Belmont avenue.

W. T. Hardaker, auctioneer, complained of the condition of Douglas street opposite his place of business. This and the four preceding letters were referred to the street committee to report upon.

Mr. H. H. Macdonald again applied for payment of $82 for the use of his moulds, blacksmith tools, etc., claimed to have been in the corporation service from 1891 to 1895. Referred to engineer to report.

Messrs. Dumbleton & Elliott, instructed by Mr. R. W. Wilkinson, owner of the lot adjoining the city pound, requested to have the nuisance caused by the pound abated, or in default that his property be acquired by the corporation. Referred to pound committee and city solicitor to report.

F. W. Hewback, secretary of the Canadian Northwestern Immigration Convention, invited representation of Victoria by ten delegates at their convention to be held at Winnipeg on the 27th and 28th inst. Received and filed.

Water Commissioner Raymur enclosed an application from Mr. Steinberger for permission to build a small wharf on the east side of Elk lake, from which to load sand on to scows for the waterworks filter beds. Referred to Mayor and Commissioner, with power to act.

City Engineer Wilmot reported on a number of matters referred to him at last meeting, including the condition of the corner of Johnson and Wharf streets, and of Langley street. Laid over for the present.

Tenders for supplies for the old men's home were, without being opened, referred to the home committee and the purchasing agent, to report.

Several ratepayers on Market street petitioned to have it made passable, and referred back to a simflar petition presented five years ago.

Alexander Macmillan and fourteen other residents of the vicinity of Stanley avenue petitioned for a surface drain.

W. H. Kettle and eleven others asked for a drain on Henry street.

John Lathorn and fifteen other ratepayers of Seventh street asked that it be macadamized and a box drain laid; and reminded the council that this is the third time of asking. This and the three preceding petitions were referred to the street committee.

A routine report from the finance committee was read and adopted.

The cemetery committee recommended that permission be given to erect a headstone sent out from England for the grave of a young man named Billings, interred there last March, notwithstanding that it does not conform to the regulations. Also that a part of the cemetery hitherto reserved for decorative purposes, but not so made use of, be cut up into lots. Adopted, Ald. Partridge dissenting from the latter part.

The electric lighting committee recommended that tenders be invited for one gross of electric light globes. Adopted.

The committee on the home for the aged and infirm reported on the letter from Mrs. Walkem referred to them, that the enterprise there dealt with would be too great for private persons to undertake, and as it would eventually become a charge on the city they advised against assisting its establishment as proposed. They suggested, however, that an addition be made to the present home for old men where indigent women may be received. Ald. Wilson stated that there are already two women in the building these charitable ladies have already secured, and where some alterations are greatly needed to fit it for the purpose. He thought a couple of hundred dollars might be given for this.

ALD. HUMPHREY said when the suggestion made by the committee was mentioned to Mrs. Walkem, she said they would not go to any expense for alterations until a decision was come to on it, but they might need a small grant for the support of the women already in their charge.

Report adopted.

The street committee presented a routine report, which was adopted.

ALD. MARCHANT moved his resolution favoring the appointment of three officers to collect all the civic revenues, and terminating the engagement of the assistant treasurer and present collectors. He explained the advantages of his plan, which in brief is that the citizens shall pay their multifarious taxes to one servant of the corporation instead of as now to several. He had no objection to choosing the three collectors out of the four gentlemen whose services—to clear the way—it is proposed to dispense with.

ALD. MACMILLAN seconded the resolution.

ALD. CAMERON did not think that the scheme would work out so brilliantly as seemed to be expected, and rather favored the continuance of the present system, which on the whole has worked well.

ALD. WILLIAMS would vote against the motion, which he thought should rather have been brought up at one of the meetings to consider the estimates.

ALD. HUMPHREY also opposed the motion, particularly that part of it declaring all the positions vacant, as he would not go in for discharging a man with no reason, on the chance of securing his re-engagement against other applicants.

ALD. GLOVER could not see how the scheme can be made to work out satisfactorily.

THE MAYOR pointed out that there were several provisions in the resolution which are contrary to the municipal law, and that he could not very well put it as worded, except formally on the matter of principle only. It was so put and lost, on this division:

For—Ald. Macmillan, Marchant and Glover—3.

Against—Ald. Wilson, Williams, Cameron, Humphrey, Partridge and Tiarks—6.

ALD. CAMERON'S resolution to permit routine communications to go direct to the committees, was then dealt with.

The resolution was carried, only Ald. Humphrey and Macmillan opposing it.

ALD. MACMILLAN'S motion for a select committee to inquire into the working of the police department was taken up next. The mover, while disclaiming any intention of interferring with the police commissioners, believed this investigation was quite within the scope of the council's powers. Charges had been made against the conduct of the police force, and it was only fair that an investigation be held as provided for under the municipal act. The investigation should also find out if the present system under commissioners worked as well as when the police were under direct control of the council.

ALD. GLOVER was willing to admit the council had the power to appoint the committee, but as it was a matter that concerned the commissioners particularly it should first be dealt with by them.

ALD. HUMPHREY was of the opinion of the last speaker.

ALD. MARCHANT was not willing to allow the investigation to go to the commissioners. He wanted the council to take it up. While he admired the prompt action of the commissioners in ordering the raiding of the gaming houses after the council had passed a resolution against gambling, yet he wanted the investigation made by the council. It was complained that the houses of prostitution having been ordered to move from View street, were allowed to congregate near the Baptist church. Charges had been made that the police connived at the houses. He had heard, too, of an instance in which a policeman had been drunk while on duty and yet he was not discharged.

ALD. TIARKS considered that the charges should be sifted to the bottom.

ALD. PARTRIDGE favored the commissioners dealing with the case, and he was sure that if anyone made a complaint to the commissioners they would deal with the case immediately.

THE MAYOR—"Certainly."

ALD. PARTRIDGE continued that the gentleman who in his sermon had made the charges would go a long way to find a seaport town better conducted than Victoria.

ALD. WILSON wanted the commissioners to deal with the investigation. The gentleman who had preached a sermon had referred to a certaiu tea store as being a gambling place. When it was pointed out to him that it was not he promised to retract his statement in both the papers and in his last night's sermon, but had only put a small local item in one of the papers.

ALD. WILLIAMS did not wish to be misunderstood when, while sympathizing with the mover of the resolution, he believed that the commissioners and not the council should deal with the investigation. He would remark, too, that no doubt such a sensational sermon was only calculated to attract a congregation to the preacher's church.

MAYOR BEAVEN was certainly in favor of a thorough investigation. He explained that some time ago Rev. Mr. Trotter had made to him statements similar to what had appeared in that gentleman's sermon. He (the Mayor) had promised if Mr. Trotter would make the charges over his own signature they would be investigated at once by the commissioners. Mr. Trotter promised to send in the charges but had not yet done so. The Mayor went on to show by the municipal act that the police were exclusively in the control of the commissioners. He was perfectly willing to act with the council in any way, and did not take the resolution as reflecting on him, as he had only been a few weeks commissioner so far. If an investigation was made it should be thorough, and it would be a pity to see it fail for want of a committee having proper power.

ALD. HUMPHREY wanted to know if there was no way of making an amendment so as to send the investigation to the commissioners. As this could not be done, but would have to be given notice of as a new motion, the vote was taken direct on Ald. Macmillan's motion, which was lost on the following division: For — Ald. Macmillan, Humphrey, Tiarks and Marchant—4. Against—Ald. Williams, Wilson, Partridge, Cameron and Glover—5.

The council adjourned till this evening at 8 o'clock.

F. B. Gregory returned on Sunday from a pleasant visit to his home and friends in Eastern Canada.

MR. JOSHUA DAVIES will sell by auction at noon to-day, 5,524 acres of good agricultural land at Matsqui, the sale being en bloc, by order of the mortgagees.

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